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extent of the parole and probation systems, the extent of the application of work tests for the recipients of public relief as set forth in Section 3493, the extent of the use of county and city prisoners on street, road or other public work, and the extent that public officials may by carrying on other permitted activities by convicted persons; also to study the means whereby greater activities in these lines may be obtained; and also to encourage and urge their fullest possible use.

Proposed Legislation

For legislative action we recommend the following:

1. Strengthening of Section 13408 and 13409 relating to tramps and vagrants.
2. Passage of law relating to idleness and vagrancy during war, similar to act passed in West Virginia, May 19, 1917. (See this number, p. 0000.)
3. The Governor is requested to appoint a special advisory commission, similar to the Prison Commission appointed in 1913, or to designate some existing Board, Commission or Agency, to study the entire workhouse and misdemeanor problem and to prepare a plan for legislative action.

Appended to this report will be found the text of a number of the sections of the General Code referred to in this report. There is also appended a suggested ordinance, prepared by the Attorney General, for adoption by municipal councils, in accordance with Section 3664 and 3665. (Text of law not printed.) (See this number, p. 000.)

Respectfully submitted, H. H. Shirer, Chairman; W. A. Greenlund, James L. Fieser, J. M. Hanson, D. Frank Garland. (From Ohio Bulletin of Charities and Correction, Dec., 1917.)

Suggested Ordinance Relative to Begging, Etc.—

Be it Ordained by the Council of the City of....., State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That any person who, within the corporate limits of the city of....., State of Ohio, wanders about from place to place or begs in the streets or public places or lives without labor or visible means of support, or acts in a suspicious manner and is unable to give a reasonable account of himself, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not to exceed \$50.00 and costs of prosecution.

SEC. 2. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed....., 1917

..... Clerk President

West Virginia Law Relative to Idleness and Vagrancy.—

An Act to prevent idleness and vagrancy in West Virginia during the continuance of the war in which the United States is now engaged.

Be it Enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

SECTION 1. It is hereby declared to be the duty of every able-bodied male resident of this state, between the ages of sixteen and sixty years, to habitually and regularly engage in some lawful, useful and recognized business, profession, occupation or employment whereby he may produce or earn sufficient to support himself and those legally dependent upon him.

SEC. 2. From the time this act becomes effective, and thenceforward until six months after the termination of the present war between the United States